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In re Application of:

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Art Unit: 1635

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For: COMBINATIONS AND COMPOSITIONS WHICH INTERFERE WITH-VEGF/VEGF AND ANGIOPOIETIN/TIE RECEPTOR FUNCTION AND

THEIR USE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

contract

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination and in reply to the Notice to Comply mailed January 9, 2003, please amend the above identified-application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 15, lines 21-25 as follows:

A further example for ligand binding inhibitors are peptides and DNA sequences coding for such peptides, which are used for the treatment of angiogeneous diseases. Such peptides and DNA sequences are disclosed in Seq. ID No. 1 to 59 of the sequence protocoll. It has been shown that Seq. ID Nos. 34 and 34a 60 are of main interest.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 13 as follows:

13. (Amended) Pharmaceutical compositions according to claim 1 which comprise as compound I and/or II Seq ID No:34a—SEQ ID NO:60.

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